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In re Application of:

Barry N. Kreiswirth et al.

: Attorney Docket 19124.0002

Application No. 09/656,084

: Group Art Unit: 1631

Filed: September 6, 2000

: Examiner: M. Sheinberg

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR TRACKING AND CONTROLLING INFECTIONS

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Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the office action issued April 5, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 2 without prejudice to its reentry and amend the remaining claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of performing real-time infection control [over a computer network], comprising:

obtaining a sample of a microorganism [at a remote facility];

sequencing a first region of a nucleic acid from the microorganism sample;

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